

# Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

## Spring 2024 MATERIALS LIST

**FEBRUARY 25, 2024**  
Second Sunday of Lent

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a violet cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "Saying Yes" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #8) or "Choices" (*Promise & Good News* CD-1, Track #16)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #23)

**MARCH 3, 2024**  
Third Sunday of Lent

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a violet cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a set of flash cards printed with the underlined words from the Gathering story, and perhaps a picture postcard of a church

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "LOVE God" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #21) or "Saying Yes" (*Promise & Good News* CD-1, Track #17)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #23)

**MARCH 10, 2024**  
Fourth Sunday of Lent + Laetare Sunday

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a rose cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "God's Love Is..." (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #11) or "The Great Commandment" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #18)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #23)

**MARCH 17, 2024**  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a violet cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a packet of plant seeds
- a thriving potted plant

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "Serving Each Other" (*Promise & Good News* CD-1, Track #19)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #23)

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**MARCH 24, 2024**  
Palm Sunday

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a red cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a pitcher partially filled with water
- a pile of small pebbles or gravel
- a copy of Aesop's fable, "The Crow and the Pitcher."  
(Borrow from the library or go to [AesopFables.com](http://AesopFables.com).)

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "Gather Together" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #1) or "Hosanna! Shout Hosanna!" (*Promise & Good News* CD-1, Track #18)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #23)

**MARCH 31, 2024**  
Easter Sunday

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a flower
- a crucifix
- a music player
- a recorded Easter hymn for the Gathering activity
- an assortment of paper streamers or colorful scarves

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "Easter People" (*Seeds* CD-1, Track #14) or "He Lives" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #4)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**APRIL 7, 2024**  
Second Sunday of Easter +  
Divine Mercy Sunday

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a flower
- a crucifix

In the middle of the floor, place a pail of water, a towel, a paper bag containing a can of cola, a can of caffeine-free diet cola, and an assortment of fruits and vegetables.

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "God Loves Me" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #15) or "God's Love Is..." (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #6)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**APRIL 14, 2024**  
Third Sunday of Easter

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a flower
- a crucifix
- an empty foam tray (or something similar).

For the Gathering activity, cut a picture of the Risen Jesus into several pieces and hide them around the room.

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** "New Life" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #10) or "He Is Risen, Alleluia!" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #2)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

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**APRIL 21, 2024**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a collection of pictures and statues of Jesus, including one of the Good Shepherd

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** “Let’s Celebrate Now” (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #12) or “Risen Today” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #3)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** “Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**APRIL 28, 2024**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a houseplant or a picture of a grapevine

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** “God Gave Me Hands” (*Seeds* CD-1, Track #13) or “Come Do This in Memory of Me” (*Promise & Good News* CD-1, Track #20)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** “Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**MAY 5, 2024**

Sixth Sunday of Easter

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a flower

For the Gathering activity, learn the motions and words to “The Do-Good Song.”

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** “LOVE God” (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #21) or “The Great Commandment” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #18)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** “Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**MAY 12, 2024**

Ascension of the Lord

### For the Meeting Space

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a flower

For the Gathering activity, prepare a “Do” list. Write various silly actions for the children to perform. Make the last item on the list, “Jump forward and jump backward at the same time.” Then prepare a “Say” list including fun questions like, “Which food do you most dislike, and why?” and “What was the craziest dream you ever had?” The lists needn’t be long.

### Suggested Music

**GATHERING:** “I Am the Way” (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #19) or “Yes, Lord, I Believe” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #26)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** “Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia” (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

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**MAY 12, 2024**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

### **For the Meeting Space**

In the worship area, on a table draped with a gold cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a flower

For the Homily:

- a drawing pad
- a marker

### **Suggested Music**

**GATHERING:** "I Am the Way" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #19) or "Yes, Lord, I Believe" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #26)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)

**MAY 19, 2024**

**Pentecost**

### **For the Meeting Space**

In the worship area, on a table draped with a red cloth, place:

- a Lectionary
- a battery-operated candle
- a crucifix
- a flower

For the Homily:

- a drawing pad
- markers

### **Suggested Music**

**GATHERING:** "Come, O Holy Spirit" (*Seeds* CD-2, Track #9) or "Pentecost Song" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #7)

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** "Gospel Acclamation; Alleluia" (*Promise & Good News* CD-2, Track #24)